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SUBJECT: UNCLASSIFIED REPORT ON NUCLAR WEAPONS IN EUROPE

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- 1. MISSION FEELS STRONGLY THAT TIMING SUGGESTED REFTEL (I.E., SUBMISSION OF UNCLASSIFIED NUNN AMENDMENT REPORT ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO CONGRESS ON APRIL 29) WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT PROVIDE ADEQUATE ADVANCE NOTICE TO NPG ALLIES. UNDERSTANDING REACHED HERE BETWEEN AMBASSADOR BRUCE, MISSION OFFICERS AND COLONEL GODLSTEIN ON APRIL 21 WAS THAT USNATO WOULD DISTRIBUTE REPORT TO NPG DELEGATIONS HERE ON APRIL 28 OR 29, AND THAT WASHINGTON WOULD ALLOW 4 TO 5 DAYS AFTER THAT DATE BEFORE FORWARDING REPORT TO CONGRESS.
- 2. NEED FOR MORE DELIBERATE PACE IN HANDLING THIS MATTER IN REINFORCED BY TWO FACTORS. FIRST, SYG LUNS IS OUT OF BRUSSELS AND WILL NOT RETURN UNTIL APRIL 29. HE HAS BEEN AND CAN BE QUITE HELPFUL TO US IN HANDLING NUNN NUCLEAR MATTERS. SECOND, MAY 1 IS A NATO (AND EUROPE-WIDE) HOLIDAY, WHICH CONFIDENTIAL

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EUROPEANS INVARIABLY OBSERVE.

3. IN MISSION VIEW, CONSULTATIONS ON NUNN NUCLEAR REPORT HAVE THUS FAR GONE REMARKABLY WELL FROM US POINT OF VIEW. WE MUST

BE CAREFUL NOT TO PRESS OUR ALLIES TOO HARD AT THIS JUNCTION, OR WE WILL INVITE A NEGATIVE REACTION WHICH COULD DISSIPATE THE STORE OF GOOD WILL WHICH WE HAVE DEVELOPED.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON AUTHORIZATION TO DISTIBUTE UNCLASSIFIED REPORT TO NPG ALLIES BY APRIL 28 AND TO INFORM THEM THAT IT WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE CONGRESS ON MAY 5. BRUCE

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